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### PATERNALISTIC FOLLY.

There are a great many people in this country, says the Brownsville Telegraph, who from time to time have urged that the government should lay embargos upon this or that commodity for which foreign demand is great, until the people of this country have what they want of it at their own price.

This idea sounds good. It looks like a means for bringing down the high cost of living. It isn't good and doesn't do what it pretends to do.

The newspaper publishers of Canada, led by spirits similar to those who brought about the fixing of the price of newspaper paper in this country, procured from the government of the Dominion, first a low price for newspaper, and then when the price in the United States advanced, so as to threaten a famine in Canada, an embargo upon newspaper shipments to the United States until the Canadian publishers had what they wanted at their own price.

Even that sounds good, but what are the results.

Newspaper paper is one of the commodities that Canada can sell in the United States. The embargo, has curtailed sales. The balance of trade is against Canada and the rate of exchange has decreased to new low levels.

Canada buys a great deal of merchandise in the United States and the adverse rate of exchange means that for all that she buys here her people must pay proportionately more, and all because the newspaper publishers have put their own private interests above the general welfare.

As a result of the policy of the government, newspaper manufacturers have turned their mills to the more profitable grades of paper and there is danger that even in Canada, with her wealth of spruce, from which much paper is made, there is danger of a paper famine.

This incident furnishes food for thought.

Newspaper manufacturers have the same right to sell their labor in the highest market that other labor is presumed to have. Nor have the Canadian authorities any right to curtail the shipment of newspaper and wood from the Canadian forests to the United States, at the expense of the masses of the people of Canada, who are suffering by the heavy discount in exchange.

It would be much better for the people as a whole if they paid higher subscription rates for their Canadian papers and were not taxed with the heavy discount.

The government has no right to put the interest of any body of its citizens above the interest of the whole citizenship. Such governmental agencies as are concerned with that sort of business however sweet sounding may be the palaver of the politicians advocating them, are a delusion and a snare.

The days of the "cart wheels" seem to be numbered. Under provisions of the Pittman act the government has been melting approximately \$500,000,000 in silver dollars during the past eighteen months. Now Representative McFadden urges the passage of a bill which would authorize the melting of all remaining silver coins reduced from 90 to 80 per cent and would amend the Pittman act so that the federal treasurer would not be compelled to buy back at the fixed price of \$1 an ounce an amount of silver equal to the amount of gold and sold as bullion.

It is apt to object strenuously to the Pennsylvania Consolidation plan for the burdensome "cart wheels." It has never been a coin for a general use, and the money circulation is not improved because of the prevailing silver. There is danger of a famine in silver dimes, quarters and halves.

This is a matter for wide concern. While gold has become plentiful through war payments from abroad and consequently cheaper, silver has been bid up to as high as \$1.37 and recently was selling around \$1.34. At this price silversmiths and ex-

porters find it profitable to melt the coins and sell the bullion. As a result, unless the basis weight of the metal for coins is lowered, McFadden fears the people will have to use postage stamps for change.

The country will not care to go through the same difficulty it did following the discovery of gold in California. Silver then became so valuable that the coins disappeared and Congress corrected the trouble by reducing the amount of silver in coins 7 per cent and maintained their parity with gold by government credit. This is the plan McFadden now recommends.

### A VANISHING PROFESSION

In the state of New York there is a shortage of 5,000 school teachers. In West Virginia more than 400 rural school houses have been closed because of the impossibility of finding teachers. Exact figures are not available from other states, but it is carefully estimated that there is today a 25 per cent shortage in the teacher supply, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Those who uphold the institution of free American education are confronted by a condition and not a theory. Thousands of teachers cannot be persuaded to work at the present rate of remuneration. Teachers are unselfish and devoted workers, but they cannot be expected to continue indefinitely on salaries which do not enable them properly to meet the cost of living.

There is no "strike" of school teachers, but the gradual drift away from the teaching profession is more serious than a strike. The public school is an American necessity. There is no more imperative necessity. Schools without teachers are valueless. We must loosen our purse strings, or the American system of free education cannot survive.

### Early Christmas Cards.

W. C. T. Dobson has some claim to being the first Christmas card in 1844, but John C. Horsley made a Christmas card for Sir Henry Cole in 1843 and later began the publication of such cards. But there is nothing particularly new in the origin of pictures sent to remind friends of some particular event. The custom was very old in China, from which country so many customs came to be known as very old after they were established in Europe. In the Chinese laundries pictures in red and black used to be familiar to the man going for his weekly wash. They were Chinese New Year cards which remained on the walls until the next New Year came around. But the sale of Christmas cards as a business came in about 1845 or 1846. The American made Prang cards some years later have the credit for introducing quality and artistic design into Christmas card printing. —London Mail.

### The Reason.

The friend of an English clergyman, who was spending a few days in the latter's parish, says the Guardian, went up to a neighboring country church one day and found an old woman just turning away from the door. "Locked and bolted," she said. She told him that she lived in a neighboring village and that she came over every now and then to the church in which she had been christened and confirmed and married, but it was always the same—she could never get in. "But what reason can the vicar have for keeping the church shut up?" asked the friend. "I don't know, sir, I'm sure," she said. "I should think either he must be afraid of someone getting in and praying, or else he's afraid of God's getting out and seeing what a state his parish is in."

### First Platinum Ingot.

The first veritable platinum ingot was made by a French chemist, Lakanan in 1783. Charles III of Spain had called him to Madrid and created a special chair of mineralogy, physics and chemistry for him. In his laboratory he found the secret of rendering the new metal malleable, and this is the way he revealed the fact to one of his patrons: "Three months later, at the home of the count of Aranda, there appeared upon a table an ingot some 10 centimeters cube (about four inches), with a beautiful metallic luster; it was malleable platinum."

### Ancient Greek Writing.

Athenians says that when the ancient Gauls worshiped they turned to the right, imitating the apparent motion of the heavens. This is confirmed by Pliny, and instructions to this effect have been found in the classical works of Plautus and Homer. When the Greeks first learned the art of writing they adopted the alternate system, in imitation of the ox plowing a field, though the practice may have had its origin in the dances of the priests of Apollo who danced before the altars.

### Huge Horns.

Massive horns, 46 inches long and 15 inches around the base, and in the shape of a lyre, are the peculiar possessions of the gnu ox, or gnu, of East Africa and Abyssinia.

## MOTOR BOAT REAL CHURCH

Gospel Ship on Puget Sound of Great Comfort to People in Remote Regions.

Of the 19 churches of western Washington 18 are accessible to seagoing vessels, according to James Lockhart, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Seattle. The Robert G. Seymour, a floating church operated on Puget sound by Rev. W. H. Bert R. Howell and his wife.

During the four years that the Robert G. Seymour has been in operation it has traveled on an average of 3,000 miles a year carrying religion to 15,000 people and up Hood canal. It regularly visits 11 ports and is constantly logging combs, bringing religion to those who cannot seek it. The boat is gone often for a month at a time, and often has weathered some of the roughest gales ever experienced on the sound. Not infrequently, after a sermon delivered aboard the gospel ship or on shore, some woman will come forward with a question on her lips regarding what lies near her heart relative to the latest style in dresses or hats, and always an answer is forthcoming—for the good pilot never omits to include fashion books among his hymnals.

In a woman's school taught that a sermon preached recently by the captain of the Gospel boat was the first she had heard in a dozen years. She was the mother of nine children and had had no opportunity previously of hearing a church service.

### MADE OVER FOR BOOKLOVERS

New York Has Substitute for Saloon, Where Literature and Soft Drinks Are Sold.

A new idea in the way of a substitute for the saloon is to be tried out in the Booklovers' tavern, recently opened in New York, the Philadelphia Inquirer states. This is simply a place with the familiar bar and brass rail, where soft drinks and literature are to be dispensed together. Thus the mental exhilaration to be derived from the latest novel will satisfy those accustomed to the cocktail and give ginger ale or ice cream soda a fillip it has not hitherto had.

The Booklovers' tavern may draw book purchasers, though its superiority to the ordinary bookshop is not apparent. But can it be expected that thirst will be assuaged in this way? And will those who seek inebriation between covers be able to pay the price? A Kipling highball or a Wells uzz at \$1.75 is considerably more than the purchasers of alcoholic beverages have been charged under wartime prohibition.

It is obvious, too, that the kind of literature dispensed over the bar will have to be very carefully guarded. Many of our poets were a roistering lot, who did not hesitate to celebrate the charms of the Denon Rum.

### Aviators' Qualifications.

In England airmen were apt to be ardent hunters of the fox and to have what horsemen call "hands"—a quality which as aviators enabled them to know instinctively, as it were, what an airplane was going to do before it did it. And what will be shocking to some folk, to keep the aviator in best condition for his work and for enduring its terrible stresses, he seemed, according to these authorities, to need "a really riotous evening at least once or twice a month." The older men were found to use alcohol freely, but the younger ones required no such stimulants and they all avoided excess, being well aware that for them the penalty was sudden death. Marriage deteriorated the aviator by increasing his sense of personal responsibility for others. Courage he had, of course, and a touch of recklessness is not undesirable from the standpoint of achievement in war.—Exchange.

Japan's rapid industrial progress during the past five years is nowhere more conspicuous than in the development of the machinery trade. Japan imported in 1914 machinery to a value of somewhat more than \$12,000,000; in 1918 more than \$29,000,000. In 1914 the United States furnished 20 per cent of the total imports of machinery; in 1918 80 per cent. Japan's exports of machinery, chiefly to far-eastern countries, have increased from \$634,000 in 1914 to approximately \$7,590,000 in 1918. Exports include electrical machinery, spinning and weaving machinery, lathes and printing machinery.

### The Lucky Cuss.

"Unfortunate man!" we said, as we stood by the bedside and drew our head still farther down in the collar of our overcoat after the manner of a turtle retreating in his shell. "You have our profoundest sympathy in your affliction, and—"

"Sympathy—the dickens!" chortled the invalid. "Why, dodgast it, when everybody else is shuddering and shaking with the cold I have a raging fever and am as warm and comfortable as if it were the good old summer time. Hi-lo! hi-lee!"—Kansas City Star.

### French Coal Mining.

French coal miners, replying to the suggestion that they work more than eight hours a day declare that the only remedy is the improvement of mining machinery on American lines. They state that an American miner by using mechanical devices can dig out three tons of coal a week, while the French miner can get out but a tenth of the amount.

## WHITE SALE

A number of people found a decided advantage in investigating the bargains at our WHITE SALE. There are more left in sheets, pillow cases, muslin, linen crash, butchers, linen and nainsook.

## FAU DRY GOODS COMPANY

Successors to Eugene Fau

## WAS SO NERVOUS TREMBLED LIKE A LEAF, SAID LADY

Lady Never Strong Since Illness.  
Couldn't Sleep, Was Weak  
Headachy.

"I was sick last fall and never did get over it. I was all run down and it didn't seem like I could regain health. My appetite was very poor for months and when I did eat something it wouldn't half digest and I therefore got no good from my food. I finally grew so weak and nervous that I would tremble like a leaf at times. My sleep was restless and disturbed and on getting up I would actually feel more exhausted and tired than when I went to bed.

"Just as I was about giving up hope and feeling miserable all over I saw an Earle's Hypo-Cod advertisement in the paper and when people feeling like I was were getting relief in just a few days. I asked my sister about it and found she was taking it and getting splendid results so I didn't hesitate buying Earle's Hypo-Cod after that and honestly the results in my case have been just grand. It proved the very thing I needed and I don't hesitate recommending it to everybody now. My appetite is fine again and the headaches I was having don't come back anymore. My digestion is fine and food I eat seemed to give me worlds of strength. Then too—I find that I sleep so much better nights. My nerves are so much improved I actually sleep like a little child. I know I have gained weight, but don't know just how much—anyway, those three bottles of Earle's Hypo-Cod that I took have built me up like they say it would and that is enough. I surely recommend it to the sky, declared Mrs. M. O'Neill, 515 Covington St., Youngstown, Ohio.

Thousands turn from weaker, old-fashioned tonics to this new and more powerful preparation and to the surprise of everyone it isn't the least bit nasty tasting and although it contains the extract of cod liver oil, it hasn't the slightest trace of fishy or oily taste. Go down for a bottle, tonight.

Earle's Hypo-Cod is sold here by Henning's Drug Store and the leading druggists in all nearby towns. Price \$1.25 plus 5c war tax.

Berryman's Sensational Half Price Sale of Ready-to-wear garments Saturday and Monday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 2. 200-12

### SLIGHT INCREASE OF "FLU" IN MONESSEN

Monessen health authorities report that six pronounced cases of "flu" have been discovered in that borough, but the health authorities are keeping a close watch on the situation.

A skating pond was opened to the public near the Monessen end of the river bridge last evening. The skating surface measures about 100x200 feet in dimension and affords a splendid place for skaters to enjoy their favorite sport.

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ADVERTISE YOUR FURNISHED ROOMS IN THE CLASSIFIED COLUMN OF THE CHARLEROI MAIL

### RESOLUTIONS OF RESPECT

In Memory of Sister Elizabeth Pflie  
So let her sleep that dreamless sleep,  
Our sorrows clustering round her head

Be comforted, ye loved who weep,  
She lives with God—she is not dead.  
Once again Death hath summoned a sister, and the golden gateway to the Eternal City has opened to welcome her to her home. She has completed her work in the ministering to the wants of the afflicted, in shedding light into darkened souls and in bringing joy into the places of misery, and as her reward has received the plaudit "Well Done" from our Sovereign Protector. And whereas

The All-Wise and Merciful Father has called our beloved and respected sister home, and whereas, she having been a true and faithful sister of our sisterhood. Therefore, be it Resolved that Northern Star Sisterhood No. 107 Dames of Malta of Charlottesville, Pa., in testimony of her loss, tenders to the family of the deceased Sister our sincere condolence in this deep affliction.

Committee:—  
Lillie M. Jarvis,  
Adele R. Jones,  
Flora M. Schultz.

201-11

Wait for Berryman's Half Price Sale Saturday and Monday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 2. 200-12

### PERSHING MAKES HIGH PLAY HARD TO WIN

Tuesday afternoon at 4 o'clock in the High school gym, the varsity basketball team played the Pershing club quintet, and defeated them in a very fast and exciting game. The Pershing club is composed of a number of local boys and their team is a credit to the club. The game was arranged as a practice contest for the high school team, and they certainly got what they were looking for. In fact the High team was forced to extend itself to the utmost to avoid defeat.

The line-up:  
Charlottesville—24  
Pershing—20  
Stevens F Lee  
Watson F Hancock  
Daniel C Riva  
Webster G Stech  
Brown G Owens

Substitutes—Daniel for Watson, Brown for Daniel, Gray for Brown. Referee, Weaver. Timekeeper, Daniel.



Scene from Harold Bell Wright's Film Play, "The Shepherd of the Hills" Adapted for the screen from Mr. Wright's famous novel of the same name. At the Coyle Theatre, Wednesday and Thursday, February 3 and 4. 201-11

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## Coyle WEDNESDAY NEXT THURSDAY

AN ENTRANCING PICTORIAL PRODUCTION OF  
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FAMOUS AMERICAN NOVEL

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SURPASSING ALL OTHER PRODUCTIONS IN CINEMA HISTORY

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## FOUND PEBBLE WAS DIAMOND

**Irishman's Belief That Pretty Stone Was Valuable Led to Working of South African Fields.**

The discovery of African diamonds is a romance of sleeping for years on wealth beyond the dreams of avarice. In 1867 John O'Reilly was on his way from the interior, and stopped for the night at the house of a Boer named Van Nickerck. He saw the children playing on the floor with some pretty pebbles they had picked up, and O'Reilly said: "These might be diamonds!" He had one of the pebbles in his hand, and the Boer said it was no diamond, that there were lots on the farm, and he might have it and welcome.

O'Reilly said he would take it to Cape Town, and if it proved of value he would give his host half the profits. On his long journey he stopped at Olesburg at the hotel, and showed the men he met his stone, and scratched glass with it. The fellows laughed and scratched glass with their gun flints and threw the bright pebble out of the window. But O'Reilly recovered it and got it to an expert, who announced that it was in truth a diamond of 22.14 carats.

O'Reilly, like the honest Irishman he was, fairly divided the \$500 he sold his diamond for with Nickerck when he went up-country again, and the Boer remembered that he had seen an immense stone of the same kind in the hands of a Kafir witch doctor. He found the fetish-man, gave him 500 sheep, a number of horses and nearly all he possessed for the stone, and sold it the next day for \$56,000. This was the famous Star of South Africa.

## PROUD OF HISTORIC EDIFICE

**British Nation Has Right to Exult in Glories That Surround Ancient Westminster Abbey.**

Westminster hall, next to the Tower and Westminster abbey, is the most historic edifice in London. Adjacent to the house of commons, it dates back over 800 years, although Richard II was responsible for its present glories. He it was who, in 1397, had the hall rebuilt, and added the grand oak roof which is rightly described as "one of the finest feats of carpentry extant," and which, with judicious patching from old ship's timber, in 1820, has lasted to this day.

Probably the largest hall in the world unsupported by pillars, the historical associations of Westminster hall, are full of interest. Tablets on the stairs and in the middle of the hall mark the spots where Charles I and the earl of Stratford stood their trials, and another tablet records the lying in state of King Edward.

Here successively the duke of Somerset and his rival, the duke of Northumberland, and, a little later, the duke of Norfolk, were all tried and condemned. The hall was also the scene of the seven years' trial of Warren Hastings and of the proclamation of Cromwell as lord protector. A few years later his head was brought from Westminster abbey and exposed on the southern gates.

Westminster hall also has political and legal associations, for some of the earliest parliaments assembled there, while as late as 1882 the law courts were held within and around.

## Great Preacher's Humor.

The wit of Henry Ward Beecher was a large element of his popularity. The Brooklyn postmaster sent him formal notice that a letter had been returned to him from the dead letter office and got this reply: Colonel McLeer—Dear Sir: Your notice that a letter of mine was dead and subject to my order is before me. We must all die. And though the premature decease of my poor letter should excite a proper sympathy (and it does), yet I am greatly sustained under the affliction. What was the date of its death? Of what did it die? Had it in its last hours proper attention, and such consolation as befits the melancholy occasion? Will you kindly see to its funeral? I am strongly inclined to cremation. May I ask if any other letters of mine are sick, dangerously sick? If any depart this life hereafter, don't notify me until after the funeral. Affectionately yours, Henry Ward Beecher.—Exchange.

Many of the familiar trade signs used to advertise business enterprises have been displayed by the flashing electric display. Among the old and commonplace signs to be discarded in the onward sweep of advertising progress are the wooden Indian, which one time stood its silent, stolid vigil beside the door of the tobacconist. The significant boot that once was suspended over the shop of the repairer of boots and shoes is now of happy memory. So are the barber's pole, the anvil hanging above the entrance to the blacksmith's shop, the horses' heads over the liveryman's doorway and others.

## "Scum" Was Valuable.

One of the biggest oil fields in America was for two generations occupied by the buildings and fields of an ordinary farm, through which ran a creek which issued from the ground in a remote corner of the estate.

The farmer had always been troubled with what he called the "scum," and had put a plank across the little rivulet to keep it back. An oil prospector, after the farmer's death, found that the scum was petroleum, or mineral oil, and that land became valuable as if it had been a rich gold field.

## Lepers' Hard Lot.

In the middle ages lepers were shown less consideration in Europe and the East than animals because of the fear that disaster would attend their very touch. Thus it was that the miserable sufferers were wanderers, going from place to place with their hooded gowns and their tinkling bells in hand, to warn the "clean" that something "unclean" was approaching. Time and civilization made the sad lot of the leper more endurable; no longer is he scorned and driven from place to place by those who follow the command of self-preservation. Every country has provided colonies and institutions where the victims are free to move about as they please, without bells or hoods or other distinctive marks. Humane methods have replaced the barbarous practices of other countries, and now through the application of the perfected chaulmoogra preparation there is hope held out to many who could see only hopelessness as their lot in life.

## Real Wet Spot.

For such a little archipelago, the Hawaiian islands offer remarkable varieties of climate. Parts of them have much less annual rainfall than our Eastern states, whereas on some of the lofty mountains there is an almost continuous downpour through the year. Thus the island of Kauai runs up to a peak almost a mile high (inaccessible except to experienced mountain climbers), and upon its lofty slopes there fell in five recent years an annual average of 470 inches of rain—almost 40 feet, that is to say! That, however, is not a maximum for that wettest spot on earth. In 1914 and again in 1918, as shown by United States weather bureau rain gauges, 50 feet in depth of water fell from the skies upon that one mountain top.

## Ancient Irish Lore.

The ruins of Suanes castle are on the shores of Lough Neagh, Ireland, the domain which for a long time was the seat of that family of O'Neills that ruled Ireland before the coming of St. Patrick. The emblem of the O'Neills is the red hand, and the story is that many hundred years ago, when a Viking invader was nearing Ireland, he promised vast possessions to the first man who touched land. An O'Neill the progenitor of the great race, cut off his left hand and flung it ashore, thus touching land before any of his fellow adventurers. This story is not the sole property of the O'Neills. Other families claim it under somewhat modified circumstances, but the O'Neills have always used the red hand for their emblem.

## Payment.

It is always the part of prudence to face every claimant, and pay every just demand, on your time, your talents, or your heart. Persons and events may stand for a time between you and justice but it is only a postponement. You must pay at last your own debt. . . . Benefit is the end of nature. But for every benefit which you receive a tax is levied. He is great who confers the most benefits. . . . In the order of nature we cannot render benefits to those from whom we receive them, or only seldom. But the benefit we receive must be rendered again, line for line, deed for deed, cent for cent, to somebody. Beware of too much good staying in your hand. . . . Pay it away quickly in some form.—Emerson.

## First Roman Emperor.

During the life of Christ on earth two emperors ruled the Roman empire of which the Holy Land or Palestine was part. At the time of the birth of Christ, Augustus was emperor. He was the grand nephew of Julius Caesar, and before coming to the throne was known as Octavius. He was the first emperor. He died in the year 14 of the Christian era, and was succeeded by Tiberius, a stepson of Augustus. He lived until the year 37 A. D., and was on the throne at the time of the crucifixion. For many years after the establishing of the empire, each emperor bore the title Caesar as well as his own name.

A famous inn, the Saracen's Head, which stands within the shadow of the archiepiscopal palace and minister of Southwell, Notts., England, is for sale. It has been an inn for over five hundred years. Charles I slept there, and it was in its coffee room on May 5 1649, that he surrendered himself to the Scottish commissioners before being escorted to Kelham, near Newark. Between 1804 and 1807 the inn was a favorite haunt of Lord Byron when he came to Southwell to visit his mother, and in the assembly room attached to it he frequently joined in amateur theatricals.

## Romans Valued Amber Highly.

The Romans valued amber highly not alone for its beauty, but also for the medicinal qualities which they believed it to contain. In their opinion, an amulet of amber, worn around the neck, was an infallible cure for ague or chills. Ground up with honey and rose-oil, amber was a specific for deafness, and ground with honey, a remedy for defective sight. Amber was once used for the purpose of personal adornment. Homer mentions "the gold necklace hung with bits of amber" which was offered by the Phoenician trader to the queen of Syria.

## Believed to Be Oldest Watch.

According to well-authenticated records turned up recently in Nuremberg, together with a watch believed to be the oldest in existence, that instrument appears to be the oldest extant sample of the watchmakers' art. It was made in Nuremberg in the early part of the sixteenth century. The works of this watch are altogether of iron. The mainspring was an auxiliary spring in the form of a pig's bristle, designed to perform the regulatory function. The second-hand was still far in the future when this timepiece was made, so it has but the hour and minute hands. Perhaps the most emphatic difference from the modern ideal that this watch exhibits, however, is its extreme thickness. The watch as model for a watch was far beyond the ability of the medieval artisan, for he had not learned yet how to arrange the works of a timepiece practically in a single plane.

## Spurious Longevity.

Sir G. C. Lewis in his "Notes and Queries" (1882) expressed his disbelief in any case of a human life exceeding 100 years. He was wrong, of course, yet fundamentally his theory is not to be set aside lightly, owing to the fact that in numerous cases of extraordinary longevity, the evidence said to exist in registers has often been proved to refer to two persons of the same name. In one sensational case, Carr, of Shoreham, England, said to be 207 years of age, it was discovered that a figure 2 had been written over a figure 1. As regards tombstones there is one, or first startling instance of 309 being first carved, which may have been an ignorant stone cutter's way of making 39.—Exchange.

## Weight of Character.

There is not a wood-cutter in Maine or Minnesota but knows that the weight of the ax and the swiftness of the stroke are what tell in the cutting of the tree; that the sharpness of the ax is nothing unless there be weight and swiftness behind it. There is not a man of them who would go into the wilderness expecting to clear his farm with sharp-bladed penknives or well-polished scissors. Yet the same men, as they look around for their heroes, as they give applause, or as they give votes, are as likely as any men to be misled by the brilliancy of accomplishment and to forget the necessity, if the work is to last, of the weight and force which belong only to character.—E. E. Hale.

## Elaboration of Visiting Card.

French ladies began to embellish their visiting cards with drawings, often in the spirit of the day, in the form of hearts or Cupids. And then with Louis XV, that ardent patron of the arts, came the craze for fine engravings and the ladies of the court soon adopted them for their cards to depict scenes on their estates, or that were of some particular interest to them. And under the engravings came the autographed signature! After France, personal cards were adopted in England and all other European countries, varying in detail according to the inclinations of the particular time and place.

## Pearl Fishing.

If pearls should ever become really common, nobody would exchange street car fare for them. Hence it is not a strange fact that a big pearl-fishing enterprise might be able to get more for 10,000 pearls than it could for 100,000 of exactly the same kind. Though a pearl necklace may be dissolved in vinegar, alcohol does not affect it. Unlike the diamond and many other precious gems, the pearl is not brittle and is not easily broken or chipped. One might hurl a pearl against a hard pavement without much danger of damage, except the possible scratching of its smooth, lustrous surface.

## Disease Microbes.

Microbes of disease are long lived, when kept in suitable environment. Dr. J. Danszky reports that a strain of paratyphoid bacilli kept in broth in sealed ampoules were alive and virulent after 12 years. When these bacilli were transferred to a new test tube every 14 hours they were still virulent after five years. At the beginning they produced nine generations in 24 hours; after a year they were producing nine generations in 12 hours. Thus, at the end of five years, Doctor Danszky had 25,000 generations of paratyphoid germs.

## Good Whistler Story.

At the recent meeting of the Royal Society of British Artists Sir Aston Webb told a story about Whistler when president of the society, which is worth recording. The place of honor at one of the society's exhibitions had been left empty by the hanging committee for the president's contribution. The day reserved for the press was fast approaching, and at last dawned, and still no picture had arrived from the president. A telegram was sent Whistler: "Press arriving, no picture," and the reply came: "The press we have always with us. Be of good cheer."

## None Needed.

"You want more uplift in your life, my poor woman." "No, I don't ma'am. The landlord raised the rent yesterday."

# Announcement

To all Stockholders and all Charleroi and Monessen People

Interested In

## The Glass Casket Corporation

of ALTOONA, PA.

President S. W. Manning of The Glass Casket Corporation and Atty. Samuel B. Hare of Altoona will address a meeting of all Charleroi and Monessen stockholders and all other Charleroi and Monessen people interested in learning the facts pertaining to our corporation and the Glass Casket Industry.

Saturday Night, Jan. 31

8 P. M.

Municipal Hall, - Charleroi, Pa.

EVERY ONE WELCOME

WALTER J. LUMBLEAU, Fiscal Agent  
The Glass Casket Corporation  
Altoona, Pa.

## Mahieu's Specials

|                                                     |         |                                       |       |
|-----------------------------------------------------|---------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Neptune flour, barrel lot, per barrel.              | \$15.00 | Crushed corn per can                  | 12½c  |
| Neptune flour, small sack                           | \$1.90  | Early June Peas, per can              | 12 ½c |
| Radium flour, small sack                            | \$1.75  | Fancy Navel Oranges, per dozen        | 20c   |
| Fancy Lima Beans per pound                          | 15c     | California Lemons, per dozen          | 18c   |
| Michigan navy beans per pound                       | 12c     | Large grape fruits each               | 6c    |
| Red Kidney beans per pound                          | 10c     | Fancy California apples 1-4 pk.       | 30c   |
| White Kidney beans per pound                        | 10c     | Extra fine Florida Oranges, doz.      | 40c   |
| Roman beans per pound                               | 8c      | Sliced pineapple large can            | 24c   |
| Green peas per pound                                | 10c     | Farm House Mince Meat large jar       | 45c   |
| Yellow split peas, per pound                        | 14c     | White Crystal Soap per cake           | 6c    |
| Popping corn per pound                              | 12 1-2c | Fancy Gold Bar prunes per pound       | 25c   |
| Fresh ground yellow corn meal per lb.               | 6c      | Fancy Seeded raisins large pkg        | 25c   |
| Fresh ground white corn meal per lb.                | 8c      | Peeled Evaporated peaches, per pound  | 40c   |
| Large pkg Pancake flour                             | 10c     | Large Evaporated peaches per pound    | 30c   |
| Large pkg Buckwheat flour                           | 10c     | Fancy Evaporated Apricots per pound   | 45c   |
| Log Cabin Syrup per can                             | 33c     | Palm Olive soap, cake                 | 10c   |
| Armour milk, tall can 2 for                         | 25c     | Goblins Soap per cake                 | 5c    |
| Rich Pasture Creamery butter, 2 in 1 print          | 75c     | Lava Soap per cake                    | 6c    |
| Sunnydale Creamery butter, lb print                 | 72c     | Baby Doll Soap per cake               | 6c    |
| Sweet Cider, quart can                              | 15c     | Stringless Wax beans per can          | 12c   |
| Jim Dandy Sweet Cider, quart bottle                 | 35c     | Big value green string beans, per can | 12c   |
| Monarch Baked Beans, large can 2 for                | 25c     | Large can Silver Floss Kraut          | 14c   |
| Fancy tomatoes, large can, 2 for                    | 25c     | Farm House Kraut 3 lb can             | 19c   |
| Fancy New Garlic, lb                                | 40c     | Gold Bar Royal Anne Cherries, can.    | 42c   |
| Cape Cod Cranberries, lb.                           | 14c     | Gold Bar Bartlett Pears, can.         | 43c   |
| Sweet Potatoes, lb.                                 | 10c     | New Brazil Nuts, per lb.              | 30c   |
| Fancy Blue Rose, Rice, lb.                          | 18c     | Filbert Nuts, per lb.                 | 30c   |
| Our Leader Coffee, lb.                              | 27c     | Pimientos, per can                    | 17c   |
| Our Special Coffee, nothing better at any price, lb | 43c     | New Lentils, per lb                   | 15c   |
|                                                     |         | Father John's Catsup, bottle.         | 10c   |

AUG. MAHIEU

PURVEYOR TO THE PEOPLE

620 Fallowfield Avenue,  
300 Ninth Street  
301 Crest Avenue  
419 Fallowfield Avenue

Charleroi, Pa.



# Sensational Half Price Sale

## BERRYMAN'S READY-TO-WEAR STOCK TURNED LOOSE

**Special  
Half Price Sale**  
  
**For Two Days  
Only**  
  
**Saturday and Monday  
Jan 31 and Feb. 2**

Positively no goods charged, laid  
away or exchanged dur-  
ing this sale  
A small charge for alterations.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Thousands of Dollars Worth of Ladies' Ready-to-Wear Gar-  
ments to be sold at Half Price on these two days  
Saturday and Monday, Jan. 31 and Feb. 2.

Bargains will be big and abundant. You could buy blindfolded and get big  
values, there will be nothing else to get. But we want you to buy with  
both eyes wide open and buy only the articles and quantities you need. We  
have no desire to sell you goods you do not need, there'll be someone at  
your elbow to buy the goods you cannot use. Come Saturday and Monday.  
Whether you have a little or a large amount of money to spend, now is the  
time to make it compound in buying power. Remember, it is going to be  
low prices that will sell this mountain of merchandise.

**Special  
Half Price Sale**  
  
**For Two Days  
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Jan. 31 and Feb. 2**

All goods on sale include our  
regular high grade lines with  
which you are familiar. Price,  
profit and cost are disregarded  
during this sale.

| Ladies' Plush Coats                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Ladies' Winter Coats                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Junior Winter Coats                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    | Children's Winter Coats                                                                                                                                                                                               |
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| Belted and loose models, fur trimmed,<br>others plain. 17 coats in this lot.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | In all the new shades and materials, Vel-<br>ours, Silvertone, Broadcloth, Kerseys,<br>Zebiline and mixtures. Sizes 16 to 46.<br>60 Coats in this Lot.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Burgandy, Brown, Navy, Khaki and<br>Mixtures.<br>21 Coats in this Lot:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 | A very good selection of Children's<br>coats both in Cloth, Velvets and Cordu-<br>roys.                                                                                                                               |
| \$19.50 Coats now half price .....\$9.75<br>\$25.00 Coats now half price .....\$12.50<br>\$29.75 Coats now half price .....\$14.88<br>\$35.00 Coats now half price .....\$17.50<br>\$37.50 Coats now half price .....\$18.75<br>\$45.00 Coats now half price .....\$22.50<br>\$70.00 Coats now half price .....\$35.00 | \$19.50 Coats now half price .....\$9.75<br>\$25.00 Coats now half price .....\$12.50<br>\$29.50 Coats now half price .....\$14.75<br>\$35.00 Coats now half price .....\$17.50<br>\$39.50 Coats now half price .....\$19.75<br>\$45.00 Coats now half price .....\$22.50<br>\$48.50 Coats now half price .....\$24.25<br>\$65.00 Coats now half price .....\$32.50<br>\$85.00 Coats now half price .....\$42.50 | \$19.50 Coats now half price .....\$9.75<br>\$25.00 Coats now half price .....\$12.50<br>\$29.50 Coats now half price .....\$14.75<br>\$35.00 Coats now half price .....\$17.50<br>\$39.50 Coats now half price .....\$19.75<br>\$45.00 Coats now half price .....\$22.50<br>\$48.50 Coats now half price .....\$24.25 | \$5.75 Coats now half price .....\$2.88<br>\$8.50 Coats now half price .....\$4.25<br>\$9.50 Coats now half price .....\$4.75<br>\$10.00 Coats now half price .....\$5.00<br>\$12.50 Coats now half price .....\$6.25 |

| FURS                                                                                                                                                  | Ladies' Serge and Velvet<br>Dresses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Ladies' Suits                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        | Ladies' Silk and Chiffon<br>Dresses                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | SKIRTS                                                                                                                      |
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| Taupe Fox, Raccoon,<br>Oppossum, Kit Coney<br>and Seal. Prices \$22.50<br>to \$90. Now half price.<br>Childrens furs. Prices<br>\$2.75 to \$20.00 now | The Betty Wales and Korreect Dresses,<br>our very best makes all sponged and<br>shrunk. Some are trimmed in braid and<br>buttons with fancy pockets, others are<br>more plain, suitable for house and street<br>wear.<br>48 dresses in this Lot.<br>\$19.50 Dresses now half price .....\$9.75<br>\$25.00 Dresses now half price .....\$12.50<br>\$29.50 Dresses now half price .....\$14.75<br>\$35.00 Dresses now half price .....\$17.50<br>\$39.50 Dresses now half price .....\$19.75<br>\$45.00 Dresses now half price .....\$22.50<br>\$48.50 Dresses now half price .....\$24.25<br>\$55.00 Dresses now half price .....\$27.50 | We have just a few suits left and they<br>are of the better grade and are special<br>good values in this sale and every one is<br>to be sold at just half price.<br>22 Suits in this Lot:<br>\$39.50 Suits now half price .....\$19.75<br>\$45.00 Suits now half price .....\$22.50<br>\$48.50 Suits now half price .....\$24.25<br>\$60.00 Suits now half price .....\$30.00<br>\$65.00 Suits now half price .....\$32.50<br>\$69.50 Suits now half price .....\$34.75<br>\$75.00 Suits now half price .....\$37.50 | In this assortment you will find some<br>very choice dresses, the very latest styles<br>and shades, all regular and extra sizes,<br>some Betty Wales Models.<br>33 Dresses in this Lot.<br>\$20.00 Dresses now half price ....\$10.00<br>\$25.00 Dresses now half price ....\$12.50<br>\$29.50 Dresses now half price ....\$14.75<br>\$35.00 Dresses now half price ....\$17.50<br>\$39.50 Dresses now half price ....\$19.75<br>\$45.00 Dresses now half price ....\$22.50 | Fancy cloth skirts in<br>plaids and fancy stripes.<br>Others in plain serge<br>and poplin. Prices \$8.50<br>to \$18.50, now |
| <b>Half Price</b>                                                                                                                                     |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             | <b>Half Price</b>                                                                                                           |

| Children's Serge<br>Dresses                                                                                                           | Remember This Sale is for Two Days Only                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |  | A Great Offering<br>of<br>Boys' Suits                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | Ladies' Rain<br>Coats                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
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| Children's Serge Dres-<br>ses in Navy Blue Serge,,<br>all wool, some trimmed<br>with braid, ages 2 and 3<br>years. Priced \$3.75, now | After much thought and deliberation on our part we decided<br>as has been our custom of last year, even with the terrible<br>advances staring us in the face, to hold our HALF PRICE<br>SALE for two days only. Now is the time to buy these<br>garments at these away below cost prices for you surely<br>will pay more if you don't buy now. |  | Now is the time to buy your boy a suit<br>at less than the cost of the material that<br>goes in them. We have made them up in<br>two special lots \$3.95 and \$5.75. Suits<br>that could not be bought wholesale today<br>for over twice and in some cases three<br>times the money we will ask for them.<br>All in our Big Bargain Basement. | Just a few of these<br>left in tan and navy.<br>Priced \$7.50 to \$18.00.<br>Now half price. Chil-<br>dren's raincoats and<br>capas in navy, and tan.<br>Sizes 6 to 15 years.<br>Some with hats to match<br>Prices \$4.50 to \$6.75,<br>now |
| <b>Half Price</b>                                                                                                                     | <b>Saturday and Monday</b><br><b>JANUARY 31st FEBRUARY 2nd</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |  | <b>\$3.95 and \$5.75</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <b>Half Price</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |

**J. W. Berryman & Son,**  
Charleroi's Busy Store

# WANT ADS

**FOR SALE**—Going to quit business. Two story frame building situated on Main street, Burgettstown, Pa., opposite Railroad station and Burgettstown National Bank. Stock consisting of chinaware, glassware, graniteware, tinware, sporting goods and kodaks. Toys, stationary and candies. Notions, 5 and 10c goods, etc. Newspapers route and maagazines. A. Valentour, Burgettstown, Pa. 197-tf

**FOR SALE**—Dodge touring car with extra motor transmission and generator. All it first class condition. Price \$600.00. Apply to John Vezette, Sixth and Center, Lock No. 4 hill. 198-t5-p

**FOR SALE**—Lot at Allenwood. Inquire 199 Mail office. 199-t3-p

**FOR SALE**—VICTROLA. Almost new, finest condition, with several fine records, cost \$0 dollars will sell for 50 dollars. Call evenings only. Coopers Grocery, Cor. McKean and Eighth street. 199-t3.

**FOR SALE**—Kitchen cabinet. Inquire Howey Davis, Monongahela street, Lock No. 4, Pa. 200-t3-p

**FOR SALE**—McKeesport Gas stock Two wells to be drilled. Contract let. Producing wells within 300 feet. One acre lease. Room for more wells. Price \$50 a share. For particulars see Bowers and Hall. 411 Fallowfield avenue. Bell phone. 10-R. Local phone 10. 201-tf

**FOR SALE**—1919 Breco Auto, five passenger car. First class condition. Inquire Bell phone 228R. 201-t4p

**WANTED**—Girl to take care of baby. Apply Mrs. H. Porter, 306 Washington avenue. 200-t3

**WANTED**—To do dressmaking by French Dress Maker. Alterations. 928 McKean avenue. Phone 106-R. Mrs. Doick. 200-t12

**WANTED**—A good cook at Charleroi-Monessen hospital. Apply to superintendent in person. 199-t3

**WANTED**—Girl to work at Porter's Jewelry store, 502 Fallowfield. 200-tf

**WANTED**—Boy to work in Jewelry store. Porter's, 502 Fallowfield avenue. 200-tf

**WANTED**—Sales girls. Apply at once. Permanent position to the right girl. J. W. Berryman & Son. 200-tf

**WANTED**—Boarding and room in private home by two young men. Reference can be furnished. Send address to 200 Mail office. 201-t3p

**A BARGAIN**—4 living rooms, store room and garage, \$1500 stock of groceries, etc. Gasoline pump and Ford Truck. Store doing \$1000 business per month, situated on improved road near Charleroi. A bargain to a quick buyer. \$4200. Bowers & Hall. 186-tf

**LOST**—Sunday morning, horse blanket. Finder please return to E. R. Sphar, Charleroi, Pa. 198-t5-p.

## The Mocking Bird.

No two mocking bird families can occupy the same tree or bush—and there are some lively scraps before their territorial boundaries are established; but once settled, their peace treaty is faithfully kept. The mocking bird never forgets that he is a star in the musical world. He will help pick out the building place and lay the foundation of the nest; then he suddenly seems to make up his mind that he is a poor architect, but a fine musician, and abandons house-building for the business of singing for his own little world.

## Determining the Seasons.

The periods known as the seasons are determined astronomically by the apparent movement of the sun (the real movement of the earth) in the ecliptic, or its journey around the sun. The passage of the sun across the equator, bringing on days of greater length than the night, marks the vernal or spring equinox for the northern hemisphere and the autumnal equinox for the southern hemisphere, the seasons in the two hemispheres being always reversed.

## World's Oldest Statue.

In a museum at Boulak there is a statue supposed to be over 6000 years old. A great French Egyptologist, Mariette Bey, discovered the statue at Memphis and brought it to the museum. It is little more than a face, high and holds a staff. The figure is of life and pose. The face is rounded, expressing intellect and the eyes, of crystal, set in bronze give an astounding lifelike appearance. The statue is not the work of a crude barbarian and few artists living today could impart such realistic features to a wooden statue.

## HANDLE READY-MADE HOUSES

Norwegian Company Anticipates Good Business in Selling Them for Erection in England.

Many houses are for sale in Norway, the present owners of which are hopeful of selling them to Englishmen. Not that they expect the English to emigrate for Norwegian homes, but that they hope to persuade them to import homes from Norway. The ready-to-inhabit house, like the ready-to-wear suit or clothes, is a modern invention, which has developed with marked success in Norway since the first ready-to-inhabit houses were made some 30-odd years ago. The ready-to-inhabit house, to be sure, is less immediately usable than the ready-to-wear suit, for it must be put up and fastened together. The chief factory for the manufacture and export of Norwegian ready-made houses is near Christiana, and the houses are usually of six rooms with variations that include a considerable range of styles and prices, and they have all the modern conveniences. Naturally the factory is just now hoping to contribute a good many houses to the solution of the housing problem in other countries. "As regards durability," says a Norwegian correspondent "wooden houses can be fairly said, after a century's experience in Norway, to last as long as brick, if kept properly in repair. The wooden house industry in Norway after 35 years' experience has now developed to great perfection, and the wooden dwelling offers a satisfactory solution of the housing problem." The factory will deliver a house in six weeks after it has been ordered, but one of the recognized elements in the British housing situation is that your real Briton wants at least part of his house made with bricks.

## OWES LIFE TO BAD SERVICE

Englishman Willing to Die, but Refused to Wait for Starvation to Do the Work.

Owen Wister, the author, was talking in Philadelphia about England's disorganized train service.

"They told me a strange tale in Birmingham," he said. "It seems that a young Birmingham broker was disappointed in love, and went out on the railroad and laid his head on a rail, intending to end it all.

"The London express was due in three minutes, and the broker closed his eyes.

"He waited, very pale, eyes closed. Now and then he gulped. The three minutes seemed a long time passing. A long, long time. The rail got very uncomfortable. The broker twisted and turned his neck a little. Finally he looked at his watch. The train was late—10 minutes late. With a sigh he laid his head down on the rail again.

"Well, to make a long story short, the broker waited and waited for that infernal London express till—if he hadn't gone away at last for a bite to eat—he'd surely have died of starvation."

## Kindergarten in Smaller Towns.

Statistics just compiled by the kindergarten division of the bureau of education show that approximately 21,085 children were enrolled in kindergartens in towns under 2,500 population during the year 1918. In charge of 509 kindergarten teachers.

The banner states for kindergartens in smaller places appear to be Michigan and Wisconsin, the former state with 110 kindergarten teachers and 4,015 pupils, and the latter state with 78 teachers and 2,990 children in attendance at kindergartens in smaller towns. California has 57 kindergarten teachers and 2,037 pupils in cities under 2,500 population; Iowa, 59 teachers and 1,750 children; New Jersey, 49 teachers and 1,912 pupils; and Nebraska, 62 teachers and 1,746 children. The Nebraska figures indicate a special effort to reach the smaller towns with kindergarten facilities.

Geometry, zoology, meteorology and botany are taught as early as the first grade in the schools of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico. The study of these sciences is simplified in the early stages, but there is little attempt to "sugar coat" the hard facts.

A visitor to a second grade classroom recently found the pupils—none more than eight years old—glibly discussing rhombuses, rhomboids, trapezoids and parallelograms. Whenever their teacher asked a question a-thicket of little, waving arms went upward.

When the history period was called, considerable emphasis was placed on the various kings that ruled the Toltecs, the aboriginal inhabitants of this part of Mexico. The children handled the ancient Indian proper names with surprising ease.

## French Academy in Quandary.

What the French academy is to decide in connection with the national dictionary concerning the introduction of current slang terms created by and during the war is disturbing the peace of its honorable members. Should such words as "poilu" be recognized? Opinion varies. Is "boche" to be academic? "Poiu," literally "hairy one," is generally considered not to be a worthy synonym for the heroic French soldier. In regard to "boche," M. Brieux writes: "In the next edition of the dictionary of the academy our successors will decidedly be obliged to inscribe the word 'boche' as a term of contempt earned by the Germans during the last war."

## HEDGED IN BY SUPERSTITION

Customs of Thousands of Years Influence the Daily Lives of African Natives.

I did not realize until I was out in the African bush how complex is the life of a savage native, and how completely he is hedged in by rules and prohibitions the breaking of which results often in death, if only by reason of his entire belief in the inviolability of these rules, writes a British traveler.

On one occasion a burly, deep-chested native of name temporarily lost his voice. He came to me and speaking in a whisper, said: "Bwana! (Master) My most beautiful child is dead. My child, but less beautiful child, is ill. My wife has run away, taking with her my best cooking pot. I am not feeling well myself. Is it your will that I go away to sacrifice one chicken that the Evil Eye may be averted?"

I laughed at this idea until I remembered that, according to the ethnologists, the natives have lived in this stage of ignorance for thousands of years, performing every act of life in accordance with those rules and prohibitions.

For instance, there are many strange customs in connection with journeys. Before a long journey is undertaken offerings must be made and complicated ceremonies performed. The journey must be abandoned or the course altered if a hyena has crossed the trail in a certain way, or if a woodpecker calls from one side of the road. In any case, it is the custom when crossing the first stream to dip the end of the bow into the water and place it to the lips. If a man drinks from a stream he is about to cross, he must retain the last mouthful and spit it back into the water when he reaches the far bank.

## UTILIZING THAT HALF HOUR

Average Person Will Be Surprised at the Amount of Reading Which It Can Contain.

What I do venture to press upon you is, that it requires no preternatural force of will in any young man or woman—unless household circumstances are more than usually vexatious and unfavorable—to get at least half an hour out of a solid busy day for good and disinterested reading. Some will say that this is too much to expect, and the first persons to say it, I venture to predict, will be those who waste their time most. At any rate, if I cannot get half an hour, I will be content with a quarter. Now, in half an hour I fancy you can read 15 or 20 pages of Burke; or you can read one of Wordsworth's masterpieces—say the lines on Tintern; or say, one-third—if a scholar, in the original, and if not, in a translation—of a book of the Iliad or the Aeneid. I do not think that I am filling the half hour too full. But try for yourselves what you can read in half an hour. Then multiply the half hour by 365 and consider what treasures you might have laid by at the end of the year.—Lord Morley.

## "Halecyon Days."

The seven days preceding and the seven days following the winter solstice, which falls on Dec. 21 or 22, were the halecyon days of the old world. In modern dictionary halecyon has come to be a synonym for idyllic, peaceful or happy, but among the ancients it was the name of a bird now called the kingfisher, and the 14 days nearest the winter solstice were called halecyon days because it was at that period that the bird deposited her eggs on the rocks by the margin of the sea, or in a floating nest in the midst of the waters. Out of consideration for the halecyon bird, which was supposed to be favored by the gods, it was expected that the sea would remain calm, that the eggs might not suffer injury. The superstition persisted in spite of the storms that often prevailed at that period, some of the ancient writers attributing to the kingfisher the power of arresting the violence of the waves.

A most interesting experiment has been going on in the county of Midlothian. Some years ago Professor Ewart obtained a fine male zebra from Africa, and crossed him with a pony mare. The resulting animal, called a zehule, is strong, hardy, very intelligent, and easily broken to saddle and harness. The zehule stands about fourteen hands high, and can easily carry twelve stone. These creatures are very good trotters, and some have already been sent to India for government use. It is quite likely that the zehule animal may gradually take the place of the mule.—Exchange.

## Cake's Two Names.

A journey-cake is the same as a Johnny-cake. A Johnny-cake is a flat cake made of Indian cornmeal, mixed with milk or water, salted, and baked on a griddle or toasted. When baked upon a shingle and placed before the coals, it was termed journey-cake, so called because it could be so speedily prepared. This name has been corrupted in modern times to Johnny cake.—Literary Digest.

## Not Quite the Same.

Robert's father received this communication from his son absent in the halls of learning: "Dear Father: I am sorry to say that I was mistaken when I wrote last week that the professor had said that my abilities were mathematical. He said that they were problematical. Affectionately, Robert."—New York Evening Post.

# FOR SALE

AT OUR STORE, - 5000 Lbs SUGAR

Come early and avoid the Crowd

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There is a reason

## SATURDAY SPECIALS

|                                                           |        |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------|
| High grade creamery butter, lb.....                       | 65c    |
| Fel's naphtha soap, 10 bars to a customer, per bar.....   | 7 1-2c |
| 20c bottle Heinz catsup.....                              | 17c    |
| Flour, guaranteed good or money refunded, 98 lb sack..... | \$7.50 |
| Our meat market is known for its progressiveness          |        |
| Boston style pork cuts, lb.....                           | 29c    |
| Pork loin roast.....                                      | 26c    |
| Spare ribs, lb.....                                       | 22c    |
| Fresh hog kidneys, lb.....                                | 10c    |

# MARKOVITZ

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|                                                 |   |         |
|-------------------------------------------------|---|---------|
| \$3.00 Silk and Satin Petticoats, all shades    | - | \$1.98  |
| 7.98 Serge tailor-made Skirts at                | - | 4.98    |
| 9.00 Black satin dress                          | - | 6.38    |
| 5.00 Black satin dress                          | - | 3.98    |
| 3.00 and 4.00 House dresses at                  | - | 1.49    |
| 1.98 Silk Camisoles                             | - | .98     |
| Corsets at                                      | - | 1.49 up |
| 5.98 Crepe-de-Chine Waists, Special             | - | 3.98    |
| 5.00 Silk Waists, all shades                    | - | 3.98    |
| 1.50 Dressing Sacques, all colors               | - | 1.00    |
| 75c Leather Pocket Books                        | - | .48     |
| 2.25 Leather Pocket Books                       | - | 1.48    |
| 4.25 all kinds Leather Pocket books, all shades | - | 2.98    |
| 1.00 White Table Cloth, yd.                     | - | .78     |
| 35c Toweling, yd.                               | - | .25     |
| 10.00 Serge Dresses for girls                   | - | 5.00    |
| 12.00 " " " "                                   | - | 6.98    |
| 2.00 Overalls                                   | - | 1.50    |



## WHEN DADDY MINDS BABY

Sometimes His Work Is Better Than Mother's, Is the Opinion of an English Writer.

Many a father is far more competent to look after a baby than the mother. He simply looks at it and the baby smiles.

First aid is often necessary in the case of babies. They do a silly thing and then kick up a row because they've done it. Suppose baby has swallowed a thimble? Mother is distracted. She rushes about shrieking and saying she knows the baby will die. What does father do? He remains quite calm. With his strong right hand he seizes the baby's feet and holds it upside down. "Now, dear," he says to his wife, "watch what comes up." He ought to have said "comes down," but let that pass. She does, and then suddenly she discovers the thimble on her finger. It was the only place she hadn't searched!

Mothers are not to be trusted, remarks a writer in London Answers. They mean well, but they are far too imaginative. They watch the baby too closely. Nobody likes being watched. They watch its little gums so hard that the first tooth gets nervous and is afraid to come out.

If the tooth doesn't come through exactly when they expect it, they take baby to the doctor.

Then there is the question of language. The words some babies pick up from their mothers are truly terrible. Those stupid words mothers will coin when talking to baby—"fiddums," "diddums"—toddly toddly—googlegoo-goo! That sort of thing is bad for baby. He does not grow up with a proper respect for words.

Fathers never offend in that way. They talk to the baby as man to man instead of as idiot to idiot. Certainly your baby may turn out to be an idiot later on. But why advertise the fact to the world so early?

## ARE YOU REALLY EDUCATED?

If So, You Can Answer Yes to All of the Following Questions, Says Professor.

A series of test questions for the educated has been evolved by a professor of the University of Chicago, which he declares are the best evidences of a real education. You are truly educated if you can answer yes to the following questions, so says the professor:

Has education made you public spirited?

Has it made you a brother to the weak?

Have you learned how to make friends and keep them?

Do you know what it means to be a friend yourself?

Can you look an honest man or a pure woman in the eye?

Do you see anything to love in a little child?

Will a lonely dog follow you on the street?

Can you be high-minded and happy in the druggeries of life?

Do you think that washing dishes and hoeing corn is just as compatible with high thinking as playing piano or golf?

Are you good for anything yourself?

Can you be happy alone?

Can you look out on the world and see anything but dollars and cents?

Can you look into a mud puddle by the wayside and see a clear sky?

Can you see anything in the puddle but mud?

Why "Apostle Spoons?"

"Apostle spoons," also called "gossip spoons," were gift spoons given by the sponsors or "gossips" to a child at its christening. They were so called because each spoon had a figure of an apostle on the handle. Wealthy people gave the whole twelve apostles; those of less means and generosity gave the four evangelists; while poorer persons had to be contented with one, bearing generally the figure of the donor's or of the child's patron saint. There is a capital picture of a full set in Hone's "Everyday Book," copied from one in possession of the author. It is noticeable that each apostle seems to wear a broad-brimmed hat—the hat, in fact, being a plate of metal which was put on the head to preserve the features from injury, and which is to be seen on all genuine apostle spoons.

Coal mines and other mines are always full of rats, which become exceedingly tame and saucy, being never killed or molested by the miners. The latter believe that to kill one would bring bad luck.

Indeed, it may be said that rats are very useful in mines. They do good service as scavengers; and, what is more important, they give warning by their actions in the presence of dangerous gases, being more sensitive to them than human beings.

When a "cave-in" is about to occur, the rats often give timely notice, scampering about in an unusual manner. Doubtless the preliminary cracking of the rocks alarms them.

Paradoxical Feelings.

"I felt cold chills coming over me when the train stopped."

"What was the trouble?"

"A hot box."

Young Fan.

Sunday School Teacher (speaking of the Apostles)—Peter made one error—Irrepressible Kid—How many runs did it let in, teacher?

## Giant Eels.

It is said there are eels no one can land. Some years ago a giant conger was caught in shallow water off the shores of England. It measured eight feet, eight inches in length, and weighed 145 pounds. Congers half that size have been known to bite a man's hand in two and to have driven their teeth through the blade of an oar. In 1913 Kakanamsku, the champion swimmer of Honolulu, was attacked by a giant eel which dragged him under water and held him there for nearly two minutes. He escaped at last, but at the cost of a finger from his right hand. Eels attain an immense size in the rivers of New Zealand and have been known to attack bathers. In fact, many cases of drowning have been proven to be where eels have dragged the bathers beneath the surface of the water.

## Empire's Gradual Dissolution.

"Holy Roman Empire" was the name given to the Germanic empire of the middle ages, supposed by a fiction to be a continuation of the universal domination of the Romans and the Kaisers, the successors to the world-wide sovereignty of the Caesars. Charlemagne was crowned emperor of the west by Pope Leo III in 800 A. D. In 960 Otto the Great was crowned as emperor of the Romans by Pope John XII and the "Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation" formally proclaimed. This fiction was continued under one form or another for centuries, both the empire and the power of the overlord becoming more and more mythical, until in Napoleon's time the shadow of the empire, which Voltaire said was neither holy nor Roman, nor an empire, disappeared.

## Old-Time Cobblers.

It used to take the old-time cobbler a day and a half, working steadily, to manufacture one pair of coarse boots; and the cost was \$4, writes Frank G. Carpenter in "How the World Is Clothed." Suppose we go back to the days of the colonies and see how the footgear of our forefathers was made. Thomas Beard was the first shoemaker to come to Massachusetts. He arrived in the Mayflower in 1629, bringing a supply of hides with him. Others of his kind followed and they soon began making boots and shoes of American leather. At that time it was common for the cobbler to journey about from one farm to another, staying at each house long enough to make the home-tanned skins into shoes for the family.

## Puzzle of the "Seven Seas."

The "Seven Seas" exist in Hindu mythology, to which Kipling may have gone for his well known title. According to the Puranas, the earth is circular and flat, like the flower of a water lily. Its circumference is 4,000,000,000 miles. In the center is Mount Sumeru. On this mountain are three peaks formed of gold, pearls and precious stones, where the deities reside. At its base are three mountains, on each side of which grows a tree 8,800 miles high. The furthestmost country from these mountains is bounded by the salt sea. Beyond this sea there are six others—of sugarcane juice, of spirituous liquors, of clarified butter, of curds, of milk and of nectar. Each sea is surrounded by a separate continent—Exchange.

## Early Visiting Cards.

Though there is evidence that the Chinese anciently wrote their names on bits of paper which they left to apprise absent friends of their call, it is from the revival of the customs by students in Italy that the use of personal cards was established in Europe. It was during the next century and in France, that center of extreme etiquette, that the idea found its greatest development. In accordance with the extravagance and elaborate ostentation characteristic of the time, the crude slip of paper was soon abandoned for the finely finished and decorated little square.

## New Idea in Packing Cloth.

A paste of eucalyptus wood is stated to be the basis of the packing cloth of a manufacturer of Grenada, Spain. The paste is first made into paper, which is cut into long and narrow ribbons, and is then rolled into small reels. Each reel, placed on a spinning wheel, is held in position by a needle rotating 5,000 or 6,000 times a minute. The strip is twisted into a roll neither firm nor strong, and this is given greater resistance by soaking in a special glue that becomes insoluble on treating with hot vapors. The material is stretched for weaving into finer and stronger threads.

There are four classes of Post offices. The first class is an office with gross receipts of \$40,000 or more. The second class is an office with gross receipts of \$30,000 or more. The third class is one with gross receipts of \$1,900 or more. The postmasters of these offices are appointed by the president. The appointment must be confirmed by the senate to become operative. Any post office with gross receipts of less than \$1,900 is a fourth class office. Its postmaster is appointed by the fourth assistant postmaster general.

## Mean Intimation.

"What a high color Miss Ada has." "Of course, its high. It's gone up like everything."

## Origin of Mourning Color.

"I am glad to see people getting away from overdressing this black clothing so much," says an undertaker of wide experience. "I looked it up once and it's just the survival of an old Hebrew custom of dressing folks different to warn their neighbors of the unclean presence of death. Different colors were used, however, by different old timers. On the gold coast of Africa the relatives of the dead wear red exclusively and on the east coast they wear white instead of black. The good old bob-tail Maoris of New Zealand must have been the inventors of this taboo stuff, though, for any one of them that touched a corpse couldn't touch anything with his hands for a year and had to eat off the ground like the boys in a pie-eating contest. It's lucky for us undertakers that some at least of the old-time taboos has faded from the memory of the white man."

## Patience, or Folly.

Was Griselda the epitome of patience? Or, the climax of absurd forbearance? Let the modern woman judge and answer. A peasant girl, of singular beauty of the Tyrol, living in the middle ages, she attracted the attention of a marquis of Salusa as he rode past her cottage door and saw her spinning in the sunlight. He married her, brought her to his castle with pomp; demanded, when her first babe was born, that she resign it to him; again demanded that she leave him, Griselda complying wearily; demanded in two years' time that she return to array his new bride for the altar—which she did; and as the dear woman stood trembling before him, the marquis cried: "Thou only art my bride; Thee only do I love!" Griselda had proved to him her immeasurable affection.

## Selling the Gospel.

In "professional" circles it is common to disparage salesmanship as a phase of commercialism—a specious art by which people are induced to buy what they do not want—and yet publicity, preaching, propaganda, and other forms of salesmanship are needed to overcome the natural inertia of mankind and to persuade them to mend their ways. In this sense clergymen, physicians, lawyers, statesmen, teachers, artists, writers, philanthropists, engineers and all other "professional" people have something to sell, and while some decline to accept remuneration, they are usually glad to have their wares accepted and appreciated. Even the gospel has to be sold, though without money and without price.—J. E. Rossignol, in the Review.

## Castor Oil Honey in Comparison.

In comparatively recent days common angleworms were an important item in the materia medica of superstitious laymen. Sometimes they were to be made into a broth or syrup for internal use, but more generally they were used externally. The familiar recipe was to fill a pint bottle with angle worms, cork and seal it and bury it in the ground for three weeks. At the end of that time the contents of the bottle would be a liniment of marvelous powers for the cure of paralysis. There can be no question of its powers, though its curative properties may be doubted. However, if anything could rouse a paralytic to action it would be such a mess as the bottle was found to contain.

## Birth of a Second.

Each new second is heralded by a flash of light and the ring of a bell in the factory of an electrical firm in Providence—not to remind the workers that the dire day of doom approaches, but to help them in their work. Often men must count seconds accurately for certain operations while they watch their work closely. This concentrating on two things at one time is very difficult. It is simplified by the new second-announcer. As the pendulum of the clock swings to the right it touches a wire, thus making a contact that causes the light to flash and the bell to ring.—Popular Science Monthly.

The Rajput house of Chamba have ruled their little Indian mountain state for more than 1,500 years of unbroken descent. Long before the dawn of modern English history, before the Mussulman invasion, through all the changing scenes and dynasties of northern India, this Rajput state has upheld its independence under the same Rajput family. The Raja Bhuri Singh has just died. When royalty was thrust upon him 15 years ago by his brother's abdication, he accepted his honors under protest with modesty and dignity and with the fullest sense of responsibility has ruled his state in the interest of his people.

## The Budget.

What is known in politics as "the budget" is that miscellaneous collection of matters which accumulate in the annual financial statement of the minister of finance (or as in Great Britain, the chancellor of the exchequer) to parliament. The budget contains two leading elements, a statement of the income and expenditure for the year that has passed, and the financial standing of the country at the close of the fiscal year, and an explanation of the probable expenditure for the ensuing year, with a scheme for the raising of the moneys necessary to carry on these expenditures.

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| No. | Estate                          | Accountant                                                                   | Filed             |
|-----|---------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 2.  | Warne, Elizabeth N.             | A. C. & Howard F. Warne, Exors.                                              | October 15, 1919  |
| 3.  | Baldecchi, Armondo              | M. A. Perri, Adm.                                                            | October 17, 1919  |
| 4.  | McGregor, Martha                | W.A. McGregor, Adm. d. b. n.                                                 | October 18, 1919  |
| 5.  | Jennings, Elizabeth             | Harrison Jennings, Adm. c. t. a.                                             | October 20, 1919  |
| 6.  | Phillips, David R.              | James W. & Alfred S. Phillips                                                | October 20, 1919  |
| 7.  | Mancini, Federico               | Washington Trust Co. Adm.                                                    | October 21, 1919  |
| 8.  | Shields, Lee M.                 | Beatrice Shields, Adm.                                                       | October 23, 1919  |
| 9.  | Pry, John W.                    | Elizabeth Pry, Excr.                                                         | October 23, 1919  |
| 10. | Melchi, John                    | M. Raymond & Edward A. Melchi, Admrs.                                        | October 24, 1919  |
| 11. | Melchi, Elizabeth               | M. Raymond & Edward A. Melchi, Admrs. c. t. a.                               | October 24, 1919  |
| 12. | Bubnyak, George                 | J. J. Noroski, Adm.                                                          | October 27, 1919  |
| 13. | Houston, James                  | James Power & Margaret Power Houston, Exors.                                 | October 27, 1919  |
| 14. | Sargent, Minerva A.             | Avery H. Sargent, Adm.                                                       | October 27, 1919  |
| 15. | Bozza, Steve                    | John Young, Adm.                                                             | October 27, 1919  |
| 16. | Blysk, Philip                   | John Young, Adm.                                                             | October 27, 1919  |
| 17. | Leadbeater, Isabell             | J. E. Jesters & R. L. Leadbeater, Exors.                                     | October 28, 1919  |
| 18. | Carothers, Sarah J.             | Robert G. Lutz, Adm.                                                         | October 28, 1919  |
| 19. | Griffith, W. A.                 | Mary J. Griffith, Excr.                                                      | October 28, 1919  |
| 20. | Ward, W. S.                     | George Easton, Excr.                                                         | October 28, 1919  |
| 21. | Brownlee, Matthew               | W. T. Brownlee, Excr.                                                        | October 28, 1919  |
| 22. | Reed, John W.                   | Sarah D. Reed & Chas. E. Phillips, Exors.                                    | October 30, 1919  |
| 23. | Poeppeln, Vincent               | Union Trust Co., Washington, Pa., Adm.                                       | November 3, 1919  |
| 24. | Jordan, J. P.                   | Paul N. Jordan, Adm.                                                         | November 3, 1919  |
| 25. | Starr, Margaret                 | J. A. & F. B. Starr, Exors                                                   | November 3, 1919  |
| 26. | Ealy, Hearldy L.                | Essie J. Ealy, Adm.                                                          | November 5, 1919  |
| 27. | Palko, John                     | J. J. Noroski, Adm.                                                          | November 6, 1919  |
| 28. | Hyde, Sarah E.                  | E. F. Hyde, Excr.                                                            | November 6, 1919  |
| 29. | Dunlap, Priscilla               | W. H. Dunlap, Excr.                                                          | November 6, 1919  |
| 30. | Veatch, Nicholas S.             | Wesley McCrory & William V. Moore, Adm.                                      | November 6, 1919  |
| 31. | Frans, Eliza C.                 | C. Franz, Adm.                                                               | November 6, 1919  |
| 32. | Strafford, Thomas               | Florence Stafford, Excr.                                                     | November 10, 1919 |
| 33. | Hair, Sarah J.                  | Chester B. Hair, Excr.                                                       | November 11, 1919 |
| 34. | Horton, Sarah E.                | Lola M. Horton, Adm.                                                         | November 11, 1919 |
| 35. | Cararas, George                 | M. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | November 12, 1919 |
| 36. | Little, James                   | Joseph A. Little, Excr.                                                      | November 12, 1919 |
| 37. | Bender, George                  | M. T. Crowley, Adm.                                                          | November 12, 1919 |
| 38. | Wallace, John                   | Mrs. R. J. Wallace & Foster Wallace who are Admrs. of Robt. J. Wallace Excr. | November 13, 1919 |
| 39. | Aten, George                    | A. C. Aten, Excr.                                                            | November 13, 1919 |
| 40. | Wise, Mary                      | J. L. Wheeler, Excr.                                                         | November 15, 1919 |
| 41. | Linton, Oliver M.               | Eva O. Lillie & Cora M. Farquhar, Exors.                                     | November 15, 1919 |
| 42. | Irwin, John                     | John & Harry Irwin, Exors                                                    | November 15, 1919 |
| 43. | Jack, Christina                 | Geo. W. Risbeck, Excr.                                                       | November 17, 1919 |
| 44. | Monendez, Rayman                | M. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | November 17, 1919 |
| 45. | Hook, Edward T.                 | Nora S. Rogers, Adm.                                                         | November 17, 1919 |
| 46. | Bainer, Caroline                | Elizabeth C. Zimmerman Adm.                                                  | November 17, 1919 |
| 47. | Smith, Greer                    | O. T. Morton, Excr.                                                          | November 17, 1919 |
| 48. | Walker, Hannah M.               | Wilfred V. Walker, Excr.                                                     | November 18, 1919 |
| 49. | Regester, Priscilla, F.         | Z. T. Regester, Excr.                                                        | November 18, 1919 |
| 50. | Collas, Angelo                  | Washington Trust Co. Adm.                                                    | November 18, 1919 |
| 51. | Calabria, Maria                 | George C. McPeake, Adm.                                                      | November 19, 1919 |
| 52. | Crockett, William               | Joseph Crockett, Adm.                                                        | November 19, 1919 |
| 53. | Thorne, Ebebe                   | James L. Thorne, Adm.                                                        | November 20, 1919 |
| 54. | Grable, Oliver                  | Herbert Herzog, Adm.                                                         | November 20, 1919 |
| 55. | McMillan, Frank P.              | Charles & Raymond McMillan Exors.                                            | November 21, 1919 |
| 56. | Clark, Robt. R.                 | R. F. Clark, Adm.                                                            | November 22, 1919 |
| 57. | Alrutz, Mary May                | Robt. R. Hays, Gdn.                                                          | November 22, 1919 |
| 58. | Chaney, James M.                | Pamela Chaney, Adm.                                                          | December 3, 1919  |
| 59. | Smith, Margaret J.              | Irvine R. Smith, Excr.                                                       | December 3, 1919  |
| 60. | Johnson, Barnett                | A. B. Lutz, Adm. d. b. n.                                                    | December 4, 1919  |
| 61. | Horn, Thomas                    | Olive Day, Excr.                                                             | December 5, 1919  |
| 62. | Solters, Steve                  | Citizens Nat'l Bank Washington, Pa. Adm.                                     | December 5, 1919  |
| 63. | Hornell, J. Glenn               | Nathan Hornell, Adm.                                                         | December 8, 1919  |
| 64. | Wonseller, Eliza J.             | D. W. Wonseller & Winnetta A. Glenn, Exors.                                  | December 8, 1919  |
| 65. | Zediker, Thomas                 | Sarah E. Zediker, Excr.                                                      | December 8, 1919  |
| 66. | Kendall, Samuel Ross            | Mary R. McCracken, Adm.                                                      | December 9, 1919  |
| 67. | McAboy, John D.                 | W. A. McAboy, Adm.                                                           | December 11, 1919 |
| 68. | Maxwell, John                   | Cora M. Maxwell, Adm.                                                        | December 11, 1919 |
| 69. | Quinet Marceline                | Amiable Vandermer, Excr.                                                     | December 12, 1919 |
| 70. | Pirchala, alias, Pirchalle Adam | N. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | December 15, 1919 |
| 71. | Alvarez, Edmarino               | M. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | December 15, 1919 |
| 72. | Gibson, Lois I.                 | Monongahela City Trust Co., Monongahela, Pa., Gdn.                           | December 15, 1919 |
| 73. | Gibson, Mary E.                 | Monongahela City Trust Co., Monongahela, Pa., Gdn.                           | December 15, 1919 |
| 74. | Wittich, Charles                | Morris Fargotstein, Adm.                                                     | December 15, 1919 |
| 75. | Parker, Polyzena E.             | James A. Curry, Adm.                                                         | December 15, 1919 |
| 76. | Dziedzie, Andzei                | W. R. Dennison, Adm.                                                         | December 17, 1919 |
| 77. | Morris, Harry                   | W. R. Dennison, Adm.                                                         | December 17, 1919 |
| 78. | Rutovick alias Rutovich Mike    | M. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | December 17, 1919 |
| 79. | Bernero, Thomas                 | M. H. Borland, Adm.                                                          | December 17, 1919 |
| 80. | Brownlee, C. M.                 | Mary M. Brownlee, Adm.                                                       | December 17, 1919 |
| 81. | Paljan, Steve                   | J. J. Noroski, Adm.                                                          | December 20, 1919 |
| 82. | Javer, Zuzana                   | B. Trilecz, Adm.                                                             | December 20, 1919 |
| 83. | Teagarden, Hiram                | Christopher Teagarden, Excr.                                                 | December 23, 1919 |
| 84. | Hodgens, Mary E.                | Albert N. Hodgens, Adm. c. t. a.                                             | December 23, 1919 |
| 85. | Woodburn, William               | Annabell Lowry & Jennie W. Wilson, Exors.                                    | December 24, 1919 |
| 86. | Brady, Lidie N.                 | James V. & Freeman C. Brady, Exors.                                          | December 26, 1919 |
| 87. | Brady, Charles T.               | Freeman C. Brady, Adm.                                                       | December 26, 1919 |
| 88. | Anderson, Abraham R.            | W. W. Kelso, Excr.                                                           | December 26, 1919 |
| 89. | Phillips, Louis                 | Jesse L. Phillips, Adm.                                                      | December 26, 1919 |
| 90. | O'Neil, Olive                   | D. E. Davis, Gdn.                                                            | December 29, 1919 |
| 91. | Boyle, Patrick                  | Phillip Sweeney, Excr.                                                       | December 29, 1919 |
| 92. | Herrod, Griffith                | Winipe Walker & John W. Bristor, Exors.                                      | December 29, 1919 |
| 93. | Engel, Hannah C. D.             | J. E. Scott, Adm.                                                            | December 29, 1919 |
| 94. | Rietsch, Louis                  | Real Estate Trust Co. Washington, Pa. Adm.                                   | December 30, 1919 |
| 95. | Weir, Thomas                    | Florence Weir, Excr.                                                         | December 30, 1919 |

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| 96.  | Miller, Johnson     | T. L. Miller, Excr.                                           | December 30, 1919 |
| 97.  | Greer, Samuel       | Sadie Bell & Ella Boone, Exors.                               | December 30, 1919 |
| 98.  | Cockins, John L.    | Anna M. Cockins, Excr.                                        | December 30, 1919 |
| 99.  | Shepler, Sarah K.   | William E. & Florence Exors.                                  | December 30, 1919 |
| 100. | Fachter, Frank      | Robert G. Watson, Adm.                                        | December 30, 1919 |
| 101. | McKean, S. A.       | J. C. McKean, Adm.                                            | December 31, 1919 |
| 102. | Webb, John T.       | William D. Davies, et al. Exors.                              | December 31, 1919 |
| 103. | Smith, J. F.        | H. M. Peckel & Lella A. Smith Admrs.                          | December 31, 1919 |
| 104. | Webb, E. C.         | A. Clyde Webb, Excr.                                          | December 31, 1919 |
| 105. | Webb, Daniel        | A. Clyde Webb, Excr. of E. C. Webb                            | December 31, 1919 |
| 106. | Horn Demas          | David N. & Harry U. Horn, Exors.                              | January 1, 1920   |
| 107. | Miller, Elmer       | A. H. Scott, Adm.                                             | January 3, 1920   |
| 108. | Russell, W. J.      | J. Carter Jenson, Trustee                                     | January 27, 1920  |
| 109. | Alexander, T. R.    | Elizabeth M. Alexander, Adm.                                  | January 6, 1920   |
| 110. | Henderson, Sarah N. | Alexander N. & Edmund A. Donnan Exors. of Alvan Donnan, Excr. | January 7, 1920   |
| 111. | Donan, Alvan        | Alexander M. & Edmund A. Donnan Exors.                        | January 7, 1920   |
| 112. | Manson, Eleanor     | James Buchanan Manson, Excr.                                  | January 7, 1920   |
| 113. | Brenton, Lizzie M.  | Boyd E. Warne, Adm.                                           | January 7, 1920   |
| 114. | John Cooper         | Brown, B. C., Excr.                                           | January 7, 1920   |
| 115. | S. C. Scott         | Scott, S. C., N. Yorty, Admrs.                                | January 7, 1920   |
| 116. | George Weis         | Kiel, Joseph, Adm.                                            | January 7, 1920   |
| 117. | Laub, Mary or Marie | H. H. Williams, Adm.                                          | January 8, 1920   |
| 118. | Totlack, Frank      | Washington Trust Co., Adm.                                    | January 9, 1920   |
| 119. | Isacnti Bof         | Washington Trust Co., Adm.                                    | January 9, 1920   |
| 120. | Baker, Donald B.    | Washington Trust Co., Gdn.                                    | January 9, 1920   |
| 121. | Baker, Sarah Ruth   | Washington Trust Co., Gdn.                                    | January 9, 1920   |
| 122. | Hopkins, Joseph     | Citizens Nat. Bank Adm., c. t. a.                             | January 9, 1920   |

**AUDIT NOTICE**  
All parties interested are hereby notified that an Audit List will be made up of all the foregoing Accounts, and that said Audit List will be taken up on Monday, February 23, 1920, and continue thereafter each day (Saturday afternoons, Sundays and Monday morning excepted) until the whole list has been disposed of.

John Aiken  
Register and Ex-Officio Clerk of the Orphans Court.  
Washington, Pa. January 8, 1920.

## Special Audit Notice

In the Orphans' Court of Washington County, Pa., No. 123 November Term 1919 A. A.

Notice is hereby given to all persons interested that the Court has entered a decree at the above number and term, fixing Monday February 2nd, 1920 at one o'clock P. M. in Court Room No. 3 in the Court House as the time and place of a Special Session of Court Audits for the auditing of these accounts appearing upon the current Special Audit List, to-wit:

Estate of Robert Evans, Robert Parkins, Adm., 36 Aug. Term 1919 A. A.

Estate of Martha Jane Struthers, R. M. & A. C. Wilson, Exors., 28 Nov. Term 1919 A. A.

Estate of William Nelson, J. W. Fawcett, Excr., 64 Nov. Term 1919 A. A.

Estate of J. C. Walker, Oliver Scott, Excr., 182 Nov. Term 1919 A. A.

Estate of Mary A. Gaston, R. M. & A. C. Wilson, Exors., 134 Nov. Term 1919 A. A.

Estate of Martha G. Durant, Alexander M. Donnan, Adm., d. b. n. c. t. a., 151 Nov. Term 1919 A. A.

The said special session will thereafter continue each day until the whole list shall have been disposed of.

John Aiken,  
Clerk of the Orphans Court.  
Washington, Pa.  
January 20, 1920, J-21-24-39

## Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Haralampos Dimitriou Behtavas, Alias Harry Hillas, deceased late of Borough of Charleroi.

Letters of administration upon the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, notice is hereby given to those indebted thereto to make immediate payment, and to those having claims or demands to present them for settlement.

Haralampos Dimitriou Behtavai, Administrator.  
Charleroi, Pa.  
Guy Moffitt, Attorney.  
J-16-23-30T 6 13 20

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**Contrast in Aborigines.**  
The aboriginal inhabitants of New Zealand at the time of their discovery by Captain Cook were the most advanced of all the south Pacific races, while the aborigines of Australia are the lowest in intelligence of all human beings. Australia is in no sense inferior to New Zealand in geographic interest, but lofty peaks, profound canyons and active volcanoes are lacking; its rivers are unimpressive and its permanent lakes small and few in number; it is a continent composed of plains interrupted by ridges and mountain knobs.—National Geographic Society Bulletin.

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CHARLEROI, WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA, FRIDAY, JANUARY 30, 1920.

TWO CENTS

## WILL ADDRESS MEETING OF GLASS CASKET STOCKHOLDERS

Officers To Be Here Tomorrow Evening For That Purpose

### PUBLIC IS ALSO INVITED

Investors in stock of the Glass Casket Corporation of Altoona from Charleroi and surrounding towns, are invited to attend a meeting to be held in the public meeting room of the Charleroi municipal building, Saturday evening January 31, at 8 o'clock. At that time President S. W. Manning and Attorney Samuel B. Hare will be present and address the meeting and will give facts and figures pertaining to the corporation which no doubt will be very interesting to those who may be present.

The Glass Casket Corporation, which conducted a stock selling campaign in Charleroi and other towns in this section of the valley, has a large number of stockholders here, who were recently considerably agitated over certain reports concerning the company. These charges were made by a publication called The Casket, a magazine published in the interests of morticians and undertakers. This publication, whose home office is in New York, declared the manufacture of a glass casket, impracticable, and that the campaign was merely a stock selling scheme. The magazine made more than one charge against the company, which caused a great deal of anxiety on the part of local investors, who began to make immediate inquiry.

It is in answer to those inquiries and charges that the officers of the Glass Casket Corporation are coming to Charleroi to address the stockholders and any others who may be interested, and promise to present some facts and figures which will show the corporation to be what it was represented. The meeting is naturally attracting a great deal of attention not only on the part of stockholders in his community, but on the part of the general public, which is somewhat conversant with the charges made against the company.

## CANONSBURG

### WILL PLAY HERE

Tomorrow evening Canonsburg's basket ball team will invade Charleroi with the express purpose of scalping the local High school team. The locals, however, encouraged by their victory over Munhall on Tuesday evening last, is quite confident of taking Canonsburg's measure. A fast game is anticipated and the management is preparing for a large attendance.

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## Steel Corporation Increases Common Labor To \$5.08 a Day

The United States Steel Corporation on Thursday announced an increase of 10 per cent in the wages of day laborers, effective February 1, from \$4.62 for a 10-hour day, including two hours overtime, to \$5.08. It is estimated that the number of common laborers is about 170,000 of the total of 260,000 employees. On this basis the increase would expand the payroll of the corporation by some \$24,000,000 a year, which is the equivalent of nearly 5 per cent on the common stock. It is intimated also that other rates would be adjusted.

The reference to other rates led to the presumption that an increase commensurate with that granted to common labor was to be made to

other employees of the corporation. In this case, the increase in the annual payroll it is estimated, would be in the neighborhood of \$50,000,000 annually, or about 8 per cent on the common stock capitalization.

The increase announced now is the ninth that the corporation has made since 1915. Three times in 1916 there were increases of 10 per cent and two rises of a like amount were made in 1917. There were three advances in 1918, the first an increase of 15 per cent and the last two about 10 per cent.

It was intimated last fall, that had not the strike taken place an advance in wages would have taken place the first of October. However it is none the less acceptable the first of February.

## MONESSEN PAYS MORE FOR MILK

Monessen is suffering from a combination of circumstances which has raised the price of milk to 20 cents a quart, the new price to go into effect on Monday next. Early last fall the people were compelled to pay an increased price because of the actions of rival milk dealers, who bid against each other for milk, not only in Rostraver township, but likewise on this side of the river. Of course the thrifty farmer took advantage of the situation and sold his product to the highest bidder, while the ultimate consumer paid the freight. Now it is contended that the increasing price for feed has made imperative that farmers increase the price of milk to the distributor, who in turn passes it on to the consumer, who will be compelled to pay an increased rate for milk beginning with next week. Monessen consumers hope for a reduction in price next spring—it may come down and it may not.

### MUST POST SEVEN SHERIFF'S SALES BILLS

A new court rule has just been handed down which provides for the printing, and posting of bills for sheriff's sales. This new rule states that the sheriff shall post at least seven printed handbills, one of which shall be in his office and one on the property to be sold. The others shall be in the vicinity of the properties, three full weeks before the sale.

Berryman's Ready-to-wear stock turned loose, look for the big sensational Half Price Sale Saturday and Monday, January 31 and Feb. 2.

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## WHO OWNS THIS BOTTLE OF LIQUID?

Chief Albright and officer Murphy were called to Lookout avenue and Eighth street, Thursday afternoon about 5 o'clock by the reported suspicious actions of three men. These men were seen to dig a hole and bury some object, which residents of that neighborhood regarded as rather suspicious and the police were summoned. There was no difficulty in finding the spot, as the newly turned earth was a very conspicuous guide. The police reopened the excavation and found a small bottle, filled with a pale colored liquid, the label stating that it was 8 per cent alcohol. The contents of the bottle appeared to be a liquid for the hair or scalp, but why the three men took trouble to bury it could not be ascertained, as they had left the premises. Whether the alcoholic properties were what they were trying to conserve is only left to conjecture. With the bottle was a small piece of paper on which the name, "Andrew Bunchon" was stamped with a stencil. He may be the owner, and the police would likely turn the bottle over to him if he will give an explanation of the reason for burying the bottle.

Miss Grace Fleming, who underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Allegheny General hospital, last Monday evening is reported as progressing favorably toward recovery.

Notice P. H. C. Members  
All desiring to take the trip to Brownsville February 3rd please be present at meeting Friday, January 30th.

Order of Committee 199-t2

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MIGHT'S BOOK STORE

## WILL REORGANIZE PENNA-LOU OIL COMPANY OF LOUISIANA

### CLERKS ARE RETAINED BY COMMISSIONERS

Chauncey I. McDonald and Earl Vankirk, who were clerks in the county commissioners' office under the board that retired on the first Monday in January, and who have been serving temporarily under the new board, were at a meeting of the county commissioners held on Thursday, permanently retained as clerks. The salaries were fixed at \$115 per month.

Use the Classified Column.

## WEST PENN POWER TO GIVE INSTRUCTIONS

Close to 250 employees of the West Penn System, three of them women, have enrolled in a correspondence course in elementary electricity undertaken by the company as part of its educational program for 1920. The first lessons were turned in on January 12 and it is expected the course will be completed in about six months.

Prof. B. C. Dennison of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, is in direct charge of the work. He, compiles the questions and problems, while C. F. Sheakley, of the West Penn electrical staff, has charge of lectures and the correction and return of papers, devoting his entire time to the task. A. N. Cartwright, superintendent of distribution for the West Penn Power Company, heads the educational committee and in that capacity gives lectures and assists in the conduct of the course. Others of the company's electrical force who assist are: H. W. McRobbie, J. C. Damon and George S. Humphrey, of the Pittsburgh office. Harry Restofski, Connellsville power station, J. R. Faugler, service department, and Walter C. Sontum, construction and operating department, Wheeling district.

Lectures will be given from time to time at central points, which include Charleroi. Seven employees from this station have enrolled to take the course and five from Monongahela.

### DENIES TAKING COAL FROM UNDER PROPERTY

In an affidavit of defense filed in the Washington county court in the suit of William J. Ailes against W. E. Collins, W. C. Sisley and Domenico Isabelle, trading as the Isabelle Coal company, of California, it is denied that the defendants removed coal unlawfully from under the lot of the plaintiff in Granville. The defendants claim they purchased this coal from Robert L. James by deed dated October 1, 1919.

Wait for Berryman's Half Price Sale Saturday and Monday, Jan 31 and Feb. 2nd.

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### Local Stockholders Meet To Take Action About Changes

### TO CHANGE ADMINISTRATION

About seventy-five stockholders of the Penna-Lou Oil and Gas company from this section of the valley met in Monongahela, on Thursday afternoon, to hear a report from two stockholders who had been sent to Louisiana to make investigation of conditions surrounding the workings of the company.

It appears that the company owns leases on about 80,000 acres of land in that state and that drilling has been in operation for several months. The affairs of the company have been in the hands of A. Lorenza, who seems to have been a sort of a Poobah, being president, general manager and treasurer, as well as general dictator, but whose administration has caused considerable dissatisfaction.

At a meeting of stockholders held several weeks ago two representatives, Sam Sidle of Bentleyville and F. W. Fuerston of Monessen, were delegated to go to Louisiana and make an investigation. This they did, spending over two weeks in the south looking over the proposition. They made their report on Thursday in which they advised certain changes in the officers of the company, and this will be done. An entire new set will be selected and four new directors chosen from this state, they being O. P. Glasser of Monongahela, Sam Sidle of Bentleyville, and John F. Butler and Charles Geiss of Monessen. Five directors will be selected from Louisiana and a meeting will be held in Baton Rouge, La., February 9, at which time new officials will be elected.

It is estimated that stockholders in Monessen and Monongahela have put in between \$80,000 and \$100,000 of the \$300,000 of the capital stock of the company to develop the property. The field is looked upon as very promising and the company is getting some production.

### WELLSVILLE THE SCENE OF A QUIET WEDDING

Announcement was made in Monessen on Wednesday of the marriage in Wellsville, W. Va., of Miss Helen McGavitt of Monessen, and Arthur Ruso of Charleroi. The young couple is said to have eloped Wednesday, returning home the same date with the intention of keeping the wedding a secret.

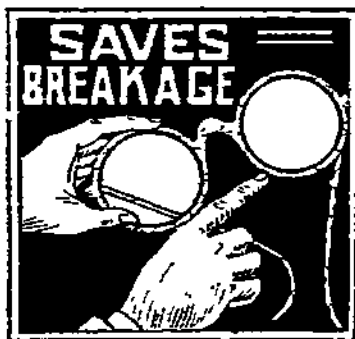
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